Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a unified command in Jammu and Kashmir has been mooted to check the fresh influx of infiltrators from Pakistan and the consequent deteriorating security situation in the State; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTERY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) and (b) The Indian Armed Forces have been deployed all along the line of Control in Jammu and Kashmir to prevent infiltration or exfiltration by anti-national elements, and the BSF also works under their operational control there.

Negotiations with ultras in J and K

4486. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 61 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 8th July, 1992 and state:

(a) whether the release of the Ultra leaders in any way paved the way to hold the negotiations, if so, to what extent; and

(b) what further steps have been taken in this direction to enable restoration of democratic Government in the State?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) No major terrorist outfit has so far come forward for talks.

(b) Strong and concerted action to contain militancy and efforts to increase inter-action with the people are continuing so that the ground can be prepared for activisation of the democratic process

Influx of Refugees in Tripura

4487. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been a fresh massive influx of Chakma and other refugees from Bangladesh into Tripura;

(b) if so, the number of refugees who have crossed over into Tripura since April, 1992; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to resettle them and to secure their return to Bangladesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB): (a) and (b) According to the Government of Tripura about 3000 refugees from Bangladesh entered the State of Tripura recently.

(c) The Prime Minister of Bangladesh visited India in May, 92. In a joint communique after formal talks the two Prime Ministers (India & Bangladesh) agreed to arrange speedy repatriation of all Chakma refugees to Bangladesh in full safety and security. In this context, the Bangladesh side agreed to set up a representative political-level committee that would encourage the refugees to return. The Indian side assured that its authorities would cooperate fully with the process of repatriation.

Duty of Analyst/Chemist for testing food served to VVIPs

4488. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that duty of testing food being served to VVIPs at Hyderabad House, Prime Minister's House etc. is to be performed by an analyst or chemist with qualification of graduation or post-graduation in chemistry;

(b) whether it is also a fact that certain medical doctors with qualifications